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CITY AND TOWN JUDGES

The announcement is made that a movement is on foot to reform the present method of appointing judges for city and town courts. Whatever the success of the plan proposed, it was not intended to kill cannot but be realized that it is a Such affairs never creat step in the right direction. should be no half-hearted action about it. Such judgeships should be removed better, it can only be looked upon sincere regret as a tardy recognition of duty. Matters of such importance are handled

entrusted to log rolling methods, Just whether the placing of such appointments in the hands of a special cally violating the law which prohibits committee is the best manner of the taking of firearms into Canadian. handling the problem remains to be waters without a license. Whether it seem. The intercoughly understood be- the demands of the Canadian officer, features of the present method,

the cause of extended political con- but it would appear that it was too in-It to tim such appointments were placed on a down of the men. Even though there basis similar to that in which vacancies on the superior and other court because of the fear of reprisals on benches are filled. It is an office in account of the war, a shot in the air which politics should play an incon- would have been sufficient to have spicuous part, both before and after halted the violators. If such was the appointment. Men of character and order it shows a dangerous disregard qualifications should be selected, and for commands, if experience can be added thereto so much the better. There is no more extwo years in such courts than there is in the higher courts

AMERICAN COMMERCE.

From the time that has been spent in the preparation of that note from this government to Great Britain relative to the treatment of the commerce of this country on the high seas, it is made evident that every effort was put forward by this country to make it, as declared therein, a friendly communication. It may cause some surprise to Great Britain but it cannot fail to be received in the spirit in which it was sent.

It was realized from the outset that | didate. Great Britain like other belligerent nations was confronted with a multitude of problems and due allowance was made for the manner in which it was considered necessary to hold up vessels and subject them to long delays while their cargoes were being searched. It is still realized that carriers of contraband are subject to seizure but aufficient time has passed to secure relief from the unreasonable detention of ships and seizure of cargoes of neutral nations, which characterized the early days of the war. Such, however, has not followed and it is but natural that a protest, with a careful setting forth of the facts and claims should follow.

There are rights which a neutral nation's commerce is entitled to even though it is a matter around which there is still plenty of uncertainty. If Great Britain has not realized what it derstand the attitude of this country, give his commonwealth, it does so now, but with a disposition to deal justly with such questions it is to be looked upon only as the ini-tial step towards the better understanding which is so greatly desired.

USING A LIBRARY. There is no question but what there is a lack of proper knowledge as to the use of a library for the getting out of it the great and valuable information which it contains, even by those who are most likely to profit thereby. Knowing how to use a Hbrary is so important in the estimation of the United States bureau of

and universities. Required show.

maintained by seven other large in-stitutions and all of these give full predit toward graduation for courses designed to train students in effective use of books and libraries. Elective urses in library work are offered by

Wisconsin and Idaho are the only states requiring library instruction in normal schools, but it must be evident as declared by Dr. H. R. Evans that "The best material in a library is frequently in the form of magazine articles, pamphlets and technical pa-

THE TRADE COMMISSION.

Word comes from Washington that President Wilson is not disposed to hasten his selection of members for the interstate trade commission. He is inclined to sacrifice speed for the securing of the best available men, and therein he is right, for by such a course he takes a proper view of the duty imposed upon him and through it will get nothing but commendation from all sections of the country. The flood of recommendations has not served to swerve him from his determination and the selections when announced should reveal men especially nounced should reveal men especially fitted for that particular kind of work, Such makes it evident that he is fully cognizant of the fact that the success of this commission rests largely upon the men who are selected to guide it. It is after such a plan that he made choice of men for the federal reserve board and it is not to be supposed that he would desert such an admirable course in this instance.

Much responsibility rests upon his

may be the outcome of this effort, or because as alleged from Canada it

There feeling whatever may be the excuse or provocation. It is bound to stir up a lot of resentment which could from the list of political footballs and better have been avoided, even though whatever the change, if it is for the it appears to have caused as deep and sincere regret in the dominion as in

If the facts as disclosed thus far through the city and town courts that the choice of judges should not be responsibility rested with the men. They were engaged in breaking the law The merits of such a plan de- was in their power to comply with fore adoption, if there is sincerity in whether they did all they could in such the move to overcome the undesirable an endeavor or attempted to get away from the position in which they were The filling of such places is always will be disclosed in the investigation, significant a matter for the shooting may be nervousness along the border

EDITORIAL NOTES.

It would only be an insult to wish Europe a happy New Year.

It's a long, long way to Christmas but there is some consolation in the fact that cherries will soon be ripe.

While the countries of Europe are declaring moratoriums, the United States ought to be declaring dividends.

The government's determination to print a daily newspaper, rather breaks the nose of the Congressional Record.

Hobson's work ought not to be overlooked when the prohibitionists begin to look around for a presidential can-

The man on the corner says: It is The man on the corner says: It is dustrial and outpost city, and, in the just human nature for those who had 13th century was made a free imperial the merriest Christmas to be glad it city. The Reformation, another ele-

Colonel Roosevelt has set out to adjust the problem of the unemployed. What a lot there is to do for those who have the will?

That New York young man who robbed that he might make larger contributions to charity, neglected to place the police on his list.

Wellesley needs \$40,000 to complete its fund for rebuilding, but any institution which can get within that distance of two million is not to be

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JUST WHY HE BALKED

"I will not!" stated Whingle, firmly Mrs. Whingle went on with her din-ner unruffled. "We meest to the Dub-kirks tonight," she tood him sweetly. "And I tolink I'll let them come here next time. The ourtains are just back from the cleaners and everything is nice and fresh!"

pers prepared by experts. Every student should be required to take some course in the handling of library toois. Such a course should not only be required, but it should constitute a definite part of the work required for a degree." It is the knowledge of knowing how to get at things which is especially valuable in such a storehouse.

THE TRADE COMMISSION.

nice and fresh!"

"You may be going to meet at the Dubkirks," said Whingle, hotly, "but I am not! Any human being who desires to see me this evening will find me right over there in my comfortable in me right over there in my comfortable me r

"The Twinkle is a pastime for babes but not for adults," continued Whingle "When it came to the pompous Tance I felt just as much at home as would

posed that he would desert such an admirable course in this instance. Much responsibility rests upon his shoulders and he is not shirking it. This trade commission is given broad powers relative to the business of the country and it will never do to display a carefees attitude in the appointing of the members. It means much to the administration. The time to avoid a blunder is now. Because of the very task imposed upon it business men with large trade experience are the specialists required to handle and guide the work of the board.

AN UNFORTUNATE AFFAIR.

Most unfortunate was the ending of that incident off Fort Erie where death resulted from the violation of the duck hunting law along the international boundary. It was unfortunate because as alleged from Canada it was not intended to kill

Such affairs never create any better feeling whatever may be the excuse

**I did. That sustained me some what

"I was horn to be hanged, otherwise the Castle Walk would have killed In me on the spot. To do the Castle Walk and still have your breathing in on the Spot. To do the Castle Walk and still have your breathing in on the Spot. To do the Castle Walk and still have your breathing in on the Spot. To do the Castle Walk and still have your breathing in on the Spot. To do the Castle Walk and still have your breathing in on the Spot. To do the Castle Walk and still have your breathing in on the Spot. To do the Castle Walk and still have your breathing in on the Spot. To do the Castle Walk and still have your breathing in on the Spot. To do the Castle Walk and still have your breathing in on the Spot. To do the Castle Walk and still have your breathing in on the Spot. To do the Castle Walk and still have your breathing in on the Spot. To do the Castle Walk and still have your breathing in on the Spot. To do the Castle Walk and still have your breathing in on the Spot. To do the Castle Walk and still have your breathing in on the Spot. To do the Castle Walk and still have the unconfortable feeling the form the violation of t

"This hasn't anything at all to do with the dancing class this winter!" 'nsisted Mrs. Whingle, "They aren't doing any of those dances now!"

THE WAR PRIMER By National Geographic Society

Metz—The fortress of Metz from Roman days has never been carried by storm. Throughout history down to 1870 it successfully defied all besiegers and the French in 1870 surrendered to famine and disease rather than to a pressing enemy. This alimpregnable fortress has changed hands now and again and these changes have been effected by treaty and treachery and famine, but never by force of arms. The Romans knew Metz, Divodurum, as "the stronghold Metz, Divodurum, as "the stronghold

of the gods."

Metz is the capital of German Lorraine, and it is considered to possess one of the most powerful fortifications one of the most powerful fortifications in Europe. It is the plvot point in the broken frontier dividing the Franks, Celts and Gauls of the west and south from the Germans of the east and north. The centuries-long contest between Latin and German has surged back and forth over this city, broken in eddies around it, and the contestants have continually regrouped with Metz as the central point in the plans of their opposing strategies; for Metz is the most important key in the barrier between Latin and Germanic civilizations. Metz and Strasburg are the two western gates to Germany.

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The Romans used Metz as their northern base against the Germanic northern base against the Germanic barbarians, and they connected it by military roads with Toul. Verdun, and other camps in Roman hinterland. From Metz, the Roman legions made their incursions into the impenetrable Black Forest, to the east, and into the forest and swamp lands of the north and west. By the Treaty of Mersen, in \$70—Metz came into the possession of East Franconia, now Germany. It rapidly gained importance as an in-dustrial and outpost city, and, in the

ment of the Latin-German struggle, raged around Metz as a center. During these times of religious unrest. Metz fell into the power of France, and the French were confirmed in their possession by the Peace of Westphalia, (1848). It ramelied under Franch religious (1648). It remained under French rule until the German conquest of 1870. The country all about Metz is strat-

Fortunate for the life term prisoner, who upon trying to escape failed and was sentenced to ten years additional, that he has but one life to give his commonwealth.

If officers and men are going to be put to death for failure to detect the operations of a submarine, after the example of Turkish justice, the popularity of the army and navy can be expected to decrease rapidly.

Ordinarily ex-President Taft is a pretty careful observer, but when he declares that a navy is like a woman's hat because it has to and ought to be changed every year, he can hardly qualify as a millinery expert.

The state of Pennsylvania bad 27 deaths during the hunting season, but judging from past experiences it can hardly be expected to have any influence upon those who go in search.

The country around Metz, a rise eved, razor-back spur hills that the powerful detached forts which guard the city of Metz and its valley running between France and Germany are planted. These works have been constructed around the city by the score, and they stretch in a wide, concealed fan, more than six miles before the outskirts of Metz.

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education that an investigation has been conducted to find out what educational institutions in the country are doing as to "instruction in the management and use of libraries."

Out of 446 institutions of higher education replying, 91 gave definite library courses. Of 166 normal schools replying to the bureau's inquiry, 92 reported instruction in library methods. Separate Korary schools have ods. Separate Korary schools have ods. Separate Korary schools have ods. The country around Metz, a rise diery.

The country around Metz, a rise and fall of evergreen woodlands is becautiful. The heights and hills are not only heavily forested, but are also unusually broken and irragular, composing a ground about as unfavorable as possible for attacking military operations. The forts of Metz were begun on a large scale by the French, and they have been strengthened through the first of the col-

"I know it!" growled Whingle. "Oh I'm wise! The dancing teachers have to earn money to take them on vacations to Palm Beach and Europe, so they've sprung a lot of new ones! I saw that card the other day that our teacher sent you, and what did it say on it? The Fox-trot, the Canter, the Ta-tao, the Loop-the-Loop, or something like that, and a lot more! Can you picture me on closs hopping along to meet my "artner and bumpling fore-heads in the Ta-tao without a pang of pity? Can you even dream of me trotting along like a red fox or doing a hobbyhorse canter without pausing in your demon career? Remember I'm a director on several boards and our living depends on my sustaining a reputation for being a man of sanity!"

"Pooh," said Mrs. Whingle. "All the other directors will be experts in the new dances before you quit talking this nonsense! You're just lazy and you've got to come along with me, so now! If you dance hard enough you'll get thin!"

"I tell you I. won't" said Whingle, stubbornly.

stubbornly.

"Your clothes are all laid out and you've fifteen minutes to dress," proceeded Mrs. Whingle, inexorably. She looked him straight in the eye and then smiled beguilingly. "You're coming. aren't you, Willie?"

"Oh darn it all!" said Whingle, "I suppose se!"—Exchange.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Davis Theatre Fire Escapes.

Mr. Editor: In passing the Davis theatre of late I have noticed with pleasure the addition of new fire escapes, taking the place of those that were part of the equipment of the ouilding when it was erected many years ago, and which have always been entirely inadecuate for the satety and comfort of the audiences that have for so long a time occupied the theatre. This is only one of the many improvements that Manager Davis has added from time to time since he became the lessee of this handsome playhouse, and is another proof of his constant thought for the convenience and welfare of his patrons, and should be highly appreciated by the theatregoing public who throughout the year patronize this place of amusement. The fire escapes that have been built on both the north and south sides of the theatre are of the most up-to-date construction, broad from stairways leading from both gailery and balcony to roomy platforms from which access to the street can be made in the most expeditious and comfortable manner. The example that Mr. Davis has set in this addition for the satety of his patrons may well be emusated by the owners of other public buildings in this city where the conditions for speedy exit in case of fire or accident are in many instances not of the best.

A THEATREGOER. Davis Theatre Fire Escapes for its place of amusement. The fire escapes that have been built on both the north and south sides of the fire theatre are of the most up-to-date construction, broad iron stairways leading from both gallery and balcony to roomy platforms from which access to the street can be made in the most expeditious and comfortable manaer. The example that Air, Davis nas set in this addition for the satety of his patrons may well be emusated by the owners of other public buildings in this city where the conditions of or speedy exit in case of fire or accident are in many instances not of the best.

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Norwich, Conn., Dec. 23, 1314.

Charles Henry Davis.

Mr. Editor: Kindly allow me to submit to you for publication in The fulletin a few words as to the life of the late Charles Henry Davis.

In the death of Charles Henry Bavis, noted in last Saturday's issue in many respects a unique personality, lie was possessed of a masterful mind and sturdy common sense.

The community in which he lived and all those who had the occasion of his acquaintance will mourn him, but the condition in the strongest light, that no one could sand all those who had the occasion of his acquaintance will mourn him, but the country its and subjects, pronounce this sentence was pronounced to the effect was and as yet fully realize the life of the property and subjects, pronounce this sentence of the prince being guilty of "having formed a base design to full the result in the strongest light, that no one could sentence was pronounced to the effect that it was "with an afflicted heart and eyes full of tears, that we, servant and subjects, pronounce this sentence" of the Prince being guilty of "having formed a base design to the life or the property in the subjects, pronounce the life of the property and constitutional laws of the throne had the judges destring to suit his own purpose rather than that of judges destring to suit his own purpose rather than that of judges destring to suit his conditions of the lided and New Testaments, the mi

and all those who had the occasion of his acquaintance will mourn him, but few of us as yet fully realize the death of our friend, for we shall long remember and cherish the remembrance of his manly figure, his forceful and enthusiastic personality and his many acts of kindness.

He had the unfaltering honesty of his ancestors. He could not do a dishonest or underhanded or mean thing. Frank, candid and sincere, his heart knew no guile and his soul no deception.

ed, the most important part of his ed-ucation was gained in the schools of practical experience, where his native common sense, self reliance and courage were developed to a very high He never aspired for public mention

nor was he materially successful in these things which the world counts as success, but rather in those things which count in the life to come. He that they don't always show as much Orange street apartment house in was an honor to his name, his race sense.—Bidgeport Standard. which the Pollard girl lost her life and his country.

He lived an honorable, full and esceful life and will long be remem-ered with kindness and affection as a road-minded and a high-souled gen

R. E. STEFFERSON. Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 28, 1914.

FAMOUS TRIALS

TRIAL OF ALEXIS.

What a strange mixture of paternal love and military severity was Peter the Great! What mental struggles must have passed through the mind of this great uplifter of Russia as he weighed in the balance the love of his son and the duty to his people! This prince, by Peter's first wife, was a voluptuous youth, in love with a dissolute life, ever promising to reform and trust as often breaking his dissolute life, ever promising to re-form, and just as often breaking his

promises.

When the Czarowitz reached the age when he should have had discretion, his father tried to satisfy his The country all about Metz is strategic, and consequently forbidden ground. Tourists, with pronounced camera tendencies have never been encouraged around the fortress. The city lies in a fertile, pleasant valley, which widens out among the hills to the north and which narrows toward teh mountainous French frontier. It is upon the heights, the craggy hills, the passes, the gorge-broken, fir-covered, razor-back spur hills that the the mountainous Frequency of the craggy hills. Ithrone of the musto-claims of his the passes, the gorge-broken, fir-coveved, razor-back spur hills that the powerful detached forts which guard the city of Metz and its valley running between France and Germany are planted. These works have been constructed around the city by the score. Structed around the city by the score. The father wrote in answer that Alexis either throw off the friends

-HEADACHE

result from a torpid liver or a dis-ordered stomach— cure the liver, or sweeten the stomach, and the head is cured. The surest way is to take

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he had gained and lead a better life, or renounce all claim to the throne and embrace a monastic state.

In reply the Prince wrote:
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"Yesterday morning I received your letter of the 19th of this month. My indisposition hinders me from writing to your at lever I am writing the month. EL COTA Special Engagement
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to you at large. I am willing to en brace the monastic sector gracious consent thereto-gracious consent thereto-"Your servant."
"ALEXIS." trace Cunard and Francis Ford Detective Dr. Partly satisfied at this, the monarch set out t omake a tour of the surrounding countries to acquire such improvements in the knowledge of arts and science that would uplift and civilize the people of his own domain. Before his departure he visited his son, who was on his sickbed. Swearing terrible oaths, the Prince promised to retire to a monastery, there to lead a better life, but when Peter was gone, seeing that he could no longer keep up the pretense, he resolved to elope.

Setting out as if his destination was Copenhagen, the Prince, to throw possible pursuers off the track, made for Vlenna. Once there he put his destiny in the hands of his brother in law, Emperor Charles VI. Peter, as soon as he heard of the elopement, sent his councilors, Romanoff and Tolstoy to solicit the return of the profligate Prince.

On the 14th of February the three arrived in Moscow where the Prince was conducted to the presence of the Czar minus his sword. He presented to his father a paper containing a confession and threw himself at his father's feet begging for mercy. But for all his oaths, the Czar could not believe Alexis, and so, seeing that after his death, the son might make a jest of his oaths of the renunciation of the throne, he ordered him to be tried.

His trial took place before the

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self in the suit and at last the fatal sentence was pronounced to the effect that it was "with an afflicted heart and eyes full of tears, that we, servants and subjects, pronounce this sentence" of the Prince being guilty of "having formed a have desired. that it was "with an afflicted heart and eyes full of tears, that we servent and subjects, pronounce this sentence" of the Prince being guilty of "having formed a base design to kill their sovereign and to usurp the empire."

The Czar ordered the sentence to be taken to Alexis, and there made him read it. The death sentence together with the "olson which is said to have been administered, caused the young man to fall into a swoon out of which he never recovered till his death, three days later.

Cases of mental illness can be caught in the inciplency and cured and no doubt if some of the pressure is removed there will be fewer cases anyway. We must slow up, take more time with our eating, drinking, working and enjoying ourselves and the problem will work itself out. However, as long as there is a premium for speed, as long as it is fashionable to rush about like mad and as long as we indulge ourselves to excess we cannot expect much change.—Meriden Journal.

New Haven seems to be having its usual run of Christmas holiday fires with their discouraging features. New Haven is one of the towns where the people who built houses took more pains to have a fire station located The opening of the Coney Island winter bathing season with 52 participants in the chilly pastime does not prove that New Yorkers are more hardy than Bridgeporters, but rather Waterbury would have fewer mourners today.—Waterbury Republican.

The New Haven Journal-Courler points out that an increase in the liquor license fee should be turned over to the state. The Courier estimates the revenue from the increase at \$800,000 a year. This certainly would be a substantial addition to the income of the state, and if put into a sinking fund to redeem waterbury Republican.

Corporation Counsel Guilfolie should feel proud of the good work he has accomplished against the auctioneers. In any event he has saved the merchants thousands of dollars that would have been spent during the holldays at these knock-Corporation Counsel Guilfolle D. J. SHAHAN, M. D.

the state bonds as they mature, or before when feasible, the anxiety over the present financial difficulties would be relieved.—Hartford Times.

There is one way in which Connecticut people have it on the doctors, and collections are people by any that its same time.—Waterbury Democrat.

British Marine Insurance Reduced. London, Dec. 30, 8.20 p. m.—The gov-ernment rate of insurance of cargo against war risks will be reduced, it was announced today, from one and one-half guineas to one guinea per cent. The new rate takes effect Dec.

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